

Heat

Fw: Employee Heat Related Illness

Lorie Davis to: Robert Eason

08/06/2013 04:52 PM

From: Lorie Davis/Institutional/TDCJ
 To: "Robert Eason" <robert.eason@tdcj.state.tx.us>
 Mail #:

Its been a crazy day boss. This diagnosis is not official and eac didn't take it. When the employee notifies unit of what doctor says it probably will be.

The van was air conditioned. She had been in it since turnout this morning. The temp outside was 94 with heat index of 104 the first time she went to the respite area of infirmary and it was 98 and 112 the second time.

Thanks, llwd
 Lorie Davis

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From: Lorie Davis
 Sent: 08/06/2013 03:05 PM CDT
 To: Robert Beard
 Cc: Roger Pawelek
 Subject: Re: Employee Heat Related Illness

How long had she been assigned to mobile patrol? How often was she getting breaks if it had been all day? Was the car air conditioned? What was the temperature and the heat index at the time of the incidents? Why was EAC notified before I was?
 please let me know, thx, llwd

Lorie L.W. Davis
 Region III Director

Excellence is not a skill. It is an ATTITUDE!

Robert Beard

At approximately 1130 hours Correctional Office...

08/06/2013 03:02:09 PM

From: Robert Beard/Institutional/TDCJ
 To: Lorie Davis/Institutional/TDCJ@TDCJ, Roger Pawelek/Institutional/TDCJ@TDCJ, stephen.henson@tdcj.state.tx.us, majorhenson@gmail.com
 Date: 08/06/2013 03:02 PM
 Subject: Employee Heat Related Illness

At approximately 1130 hours Correctional Officer IV Lois Williams ss# [REDACTED] reported feeling dizzy and hot while working the perimeter patrol position. Officer Williams was relieved and escorted to the unit infirmary where she was evaluated by Johnnie Abraham, Nurse Practitioner. Mr. Abraham stated his opinion is the officer was over heated and had a slightly elevated blood pressure. Officer Williams used a fan, cold moist towel, and drinking water to recover. Officer Williams remained in the unit infirmary until she recovered and requested to returned to duty. Officer Williams was cleared to return to duty by Nurse Practitioner Abraham. Officer Williams was reassigned to the gym recreation position at 1245 hours. At 1355 hours Officer Williams stated she felt dizzy again and returned to medical where she was cooled down in the same manner as stated above until such time as her daughter arrives to take her to go see her primary physician. I spoke with Miss Latrina Williams, the daughter of Officer Williams by telephone at approximately 1420 hours and gave her an update on her mother's condition. Officer Williams daughter

arrived at 1452 hours. A workers comp packet is being completed, EAC has been notified and the incident is not reportable at this time. Miss Williams has been instructed to report her condition after she sees the physician. I will provide an update at that time.
Respectfully

Robert G. Beard Jr.
Assistant Warden
C. T. Terrell Unit.

From: Judy Scott
To: Kecia Todd; Eric Guerrero
Sent: 9/5/2014 2:20:48 PM
Subject: Re: Crain Unit Sycamore Satellite Officer Heat related illness

Please provide updates.

J. K. Scott
Warden
Crain Unit

From: Kecia Todd
Sent: Friday, September 05, 2014 2:16:59 PM
To: Judy Scott; Consuelo Benavides; Janet Harry-Dobbins
Subject: Crain Unit Sycamore Satellite Officer Heat related illness

Departure date/Time: 9-5-2014 / 1240 hours

Officer Name: [REDACTED]

Job Assignment: Crain Unit Sycamore satellite Utility

Gender/Age: Female

Hospital: unknown

Officer Diagnosis: Overheated while working as the utility officer. Slightly elevated pulse and sweating.

Outside Temps: 90

Heat Index: 96

Shower house Inside Temp: 88.7

Contact Visitation Inside Temp: 78.1

Summary:

On September 9, 2014 Officer [REDACTED] was working as utility at the Sycamore Satellite, she conducted recreation from 0700 – 0900 and pat searched 4 offenders into and out of the recreation yard. From 0930-1130 she conducted approximately 53 showers in the shower house. From 1145-1230 Officer [REDACTED] conducted approximately 25 strip searches of offenders returning to the Sycamore satellite, the strip searches were conducted in the contact visitation area. At approximately 1240 hours Officer [REDACTED] reported to the command building and advised Sgt. Simmerman that she was not feeling well and stated that the heat made her sick. Sgt. Simmerman instructed her to sit down in the cool air and offered her water to drink, Officer [REDACTED] stated that she had already consumed 9 bottles of water. The Temperature inside of the command building was 83.6. Officer [REDACTED] was asked if she would like to see the medical staff at the Crain Unit and she stated “No I’m going to Urgent Care in Killeen.”

Officer [REDACTED] has been trained on heat precautions and ice water was available at his job assignment. Officer [REDACTED] was given a workers comp packet to fill out and Sgt. Simmerman assisted her with it. Officer [REDACTED] was instructed to make sure that she went to a workers comp doctor and to notify the unit as soon as she had a report, she assured Lt. Todd that she would.

Lieutenant Todd responded as well as Mr. Brumit responded and obtained the current temperatures in all locations that Officer [REDACTED] worked.

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From: Judy Scott
To: Janet Harry-Dobbins; Eric Guerrero
Sent: 9/5/2014 1:15:32 PM
Subject: Re: alleged heat related incident

Please provide updates.

J. K. Scott
Warden
Crain Unit

From: Janet Harry-Dobbins
Sent: Friday, September 05, 2014 12:56:24 PM
To: Judy Scott; Doris Morris
Subject: alleged heat related incident

Warden Scott,

FYI - going on right now

On 9-5-14 at the Syc satellite Correctional Officer 5 [REDACTED] is currently claiming she is over heated. Lt. Todd and Mr. Brumit are currently working on the details. Officer [REDACTED] was assigned as the Utility Officer is currently in SY command completing a Workman Comp. Packet.

A more detailed email will follow very shortly. Lt. Todd is on it.

JD